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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION (OF:)
MICHAEL C. THUMA	et al.) Group Art Unit: 2875
SERIAL NO. 10/773,994) Examiner: Unknown
FILED: 02/06/2004))
FOR: POCKET FLASE	ILIGHT APPARATUS))
	PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT	

The Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 I certify that this document is being deposited on with the U.S. Postal Service on September _______, 2004 as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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Sir:

The applicant respectfully submits the attached preliminary amendment. The present application originally included a total of 14 claims, two independent claims and twelve dependent claims. The applicant now includes a total of thirty claims with four independent claims. The additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16(b,c) includes the following:

\$90 for 10 additional claims over 20.

\$43 for one additional independent claim.

The applicant authorizes the Commissioner to charge \$133.00 for these additional new claims to Deposit Account No. 14-1131.